CLASSIFICATION OFFICE DECISION

Title of publication: 01

Other known title(s): 01.mp4

OFLC ref: 1900326.004

Medium: Video File

Maker: Not stated

Country of origin: Not stated

Language: English

Applicant: Commissioner of Police

Classification: Objectionable.

Excisions: No excisions recommended

Descriptive note: None

Display conditions: None

Date of entry in Register: 21 August 2019

Date of direction to issue a label: No direction to issue a label has been issued

Date of notice of decision: 21 August 2019

	Components	Running time
Feature(s):	01	0:15
Total running time:		0:15

Summary of reasons for decision:

The video file is a selfie video of a young girl performing a sexual act on herself. The availability of such material encourages and reinforces a sexual interest in young girls. The video encourages viewers to regard young girls as appropriate subjects for adult sexual fantasy and desire and has the potential to be used to groom others for exploitation by normalising the conduct. The classification of this publication interferes with the right to freedom of expression set out in the New Zealand Bill of Rights Act 1990. However, this is an outcome that is consistent with Parliament's intention that publications falling under s3(2)(a) of the Films, Videos, and Publications Classification Act 1993 be deemed objectionable and reflects the concern of a free and democratic society to protect its young and vulnerable members from sexual exploitation.